

What is ROA? The Reserve Officers Association is more than 90,000 officers—active and retired . . . reserve and regular . . . drawn from all branches of the service—who have united to achieve common goals. What are these goals? During the 50 years of ROA's service, a wide variety of matters have received our attention. Basically, the mission is to support a U.S. military policy that will provide adequate national security, an important part of which is defending the rights and benefits of the people who make this security possible.

How does ROA work for you? ROA recognizes that, as a retired officer, you are one of these people. We believe that, through personal sacrifice to your country, you have earned the right to a secure retirement, with all the privileges and benefits traditionally accorded persons of your status.

To make this ideal a reality for you, ROA has evolved a sophisticated, effective legislative program. Through generation of resolutions in Chapters and Departments, development of mandates in National Convention and implementation at National Headquarters, our national officers, headquartered in Washington, talk personally with Senators and Representatives and let them know your views and needs. They work tirelessly to convince these influential men of the value of programs that fill these needs and support these views. They prepare position papers. They testify before Congress. And, they suggest changes that would make proposed bills more beneficial to you.

What has ROA accomplished? ROA's legislative program isn't just lip service. A long list of accomplishments testifies to its effectiveness. Since World War II, reservists have gained reemployment rights upon return to civilian life . . . pay parity with the regular branches . . . retirement for age and length of service . . . and medical care under the Military Medical Benefits Act (CHAMPUS). In this bill, ROA persuaded Congress to include, for the first time, retired members with less than 8 years active service and their dependents in the Medical Program. All these bills were passed because ROA was there.

ROA Needs You!

During the same period, efforts were made to substantially reduce the number of reserve officers . . . to dismantle a large number of Air Force Strategic Airlift Groups . . . to merge the Army Reserve with the National Guard . . . and efforts to dismantle the Coast Guard. None of these efforts succeeded, again *because ROA was there.*

In 1972, for instance, our efforts paid off when the President signed the Survivor Benefit Bill into law. But that law, good as it is for those retired officers drawing retired pay, doesn't go far enough: if a Reservist eligible for, but not yet drawing retired pay dies before age 60; his widow gets *nothing*. Because we know your wife would need more than sympathy if something happened to you, ROA has turned its attention to establishing legally the equity which morally is hers, based on your service.

Our most outstanding recent accomplishment was seeing the bill authorizing an expansion of your Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) signed into law on May 24, 1974. As of that date, reservists eligible for retired pay may receive up to \$20,000 of round-the-clock protection to age 60. ROA played a big part in getting this new benefit, so naturally we're very proud of this accomplishment, as well as others.

And that's not all! Other ROA goals include reducing current retirement age for pay from 60 to 55, restoration of the principle of recomputation of retirement pay each time active duty pay is revised, and increasing the number of inactive duty points that may be credited during each retirement year. *All would benefit you, as a retired officer.*

Why does ROA need you? ROA needs you as a member because the larger our organization is, the more attention we'll get when we speak for you. We believe the voice of retired officers should be heard in the national affairs forum. We think you'll agree that ROA is a good way to make sure it is. And, with annual dues only \$10, we hope you'll want to join us now in working for our common goals.

As a retired officer,

Joining ROA is an important step in getting Congressional action on your problems. But our legislative program isn't the only benefit our members enjoy. By sending in your dues now, you immediately become eligible for these other attractive programs:

The Officer Magazine.

ROA's informative monthly magazine keeps you abreast of all news and developments on Capitol Hill and at the Pentagon.



The Officer Magazine interprets new service regulations and their effect on your status and career. Subscription is included with dues.

Group Life Insurance.

The ROA Group Life Insurance Plan provides eligible members under 45 with up to \$50,000 of low-cost group term life insurance protection. ROA members between the ages of 45 and 70 can apply for up to \$40,000 of coverage (depending on age) at comparably low rates. No physical examination is required. Waiver of premiums and conversion privileges are included at no additional cost.

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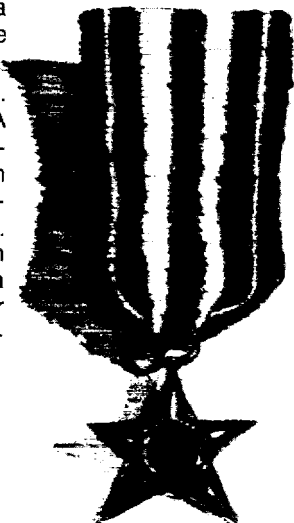
Local Chapters.

Warm fellowship of military fraternity is extended to all ROA members in 55 Departments and nearly 1,000 Chapters. Participation in local ROA Chapter activities leads to the forging of lifelong friendships, and the opportunity to voice your opinions and exert influence on national security policy and legislation at the Chapter, Department and National level. In addition, ROAL (the Reserve Officers Association Ladies) has many local clubs involved with ROTC, charity and service projects at the local level.

Discounts.

... on Medals, Ribbons, and Insignia necessary for your uniform. ROA's handy shop-by-mail service offers you savings and a complete selection of the highest quality.

... on AVIS Rent-A-Car. As a member of ROA you are entitled to discounts of up to 20% on AVIS car rentals throughout the U.S. and Canada. This remarkable program is made possible through the mass purchasing power of ROA's combined membership.



Application for Membership in the Reserve Officers Association

Who is Eligible

Any officer, regular or reserve, active or retired (or former officers who have been honorably separated from the Service), of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Public Health Service, is eligible for membership in the Reserve Officers Association.

How to Apply

1. Simply select the type of membership for which you wish to apply from those listed at the right.
2. Check the appropriate box, and fill out the rest of the information we've requested on the application.
3. Make your check payable to "Reserve Officers Association," and insert it in this envelope. (The slit is indicated by arrows.)
4. Detach along the dotted line, seal gummed portion, and mail.



Reserve Officers Association

1 CONSTITUTION AVENUE, N.E.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20002

Gentlemen:

As a retired officer, I want ROA to serve and represent me, too. Here is my application for membership:

Regular Membership

- ☐ 1 year, \$10
- ☐ 2 years, \$18
- ☐ 3 years, \$26
- ☐ 5 years, \$40

Life Membership

- ☐ under age 35, \$150
- ☐ 35-50, \$125
- ☐ 51-60, \$100
- ☐ 61-65, \$95
- ☐ 66-70, \$85
- ☐ 71-75, \$70
- ☐ 76-80, \$60
- ☐ over age 80, \$45

Please print the following information:

Name first middle last

Rank and Service

Social Security #

Address

City

State

Zip

Date of Birth

Department and Chapter Preference.

(If no preference is indicated, you will be assigned to the ROA chapter most convenient to you.)

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Special first year membership (0-1 & W-1 only) \$5 ☐

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Who is eligible for ROA Membership

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How to join

Simply fill out the front of this application and mail it with your check to us. If you are applying for insurance at this time, please keep the transactions separate. It will speed the handling of your applications.

Thank you.

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What ROA can do for you right now

1. THE OFFICER MAGAZINE.

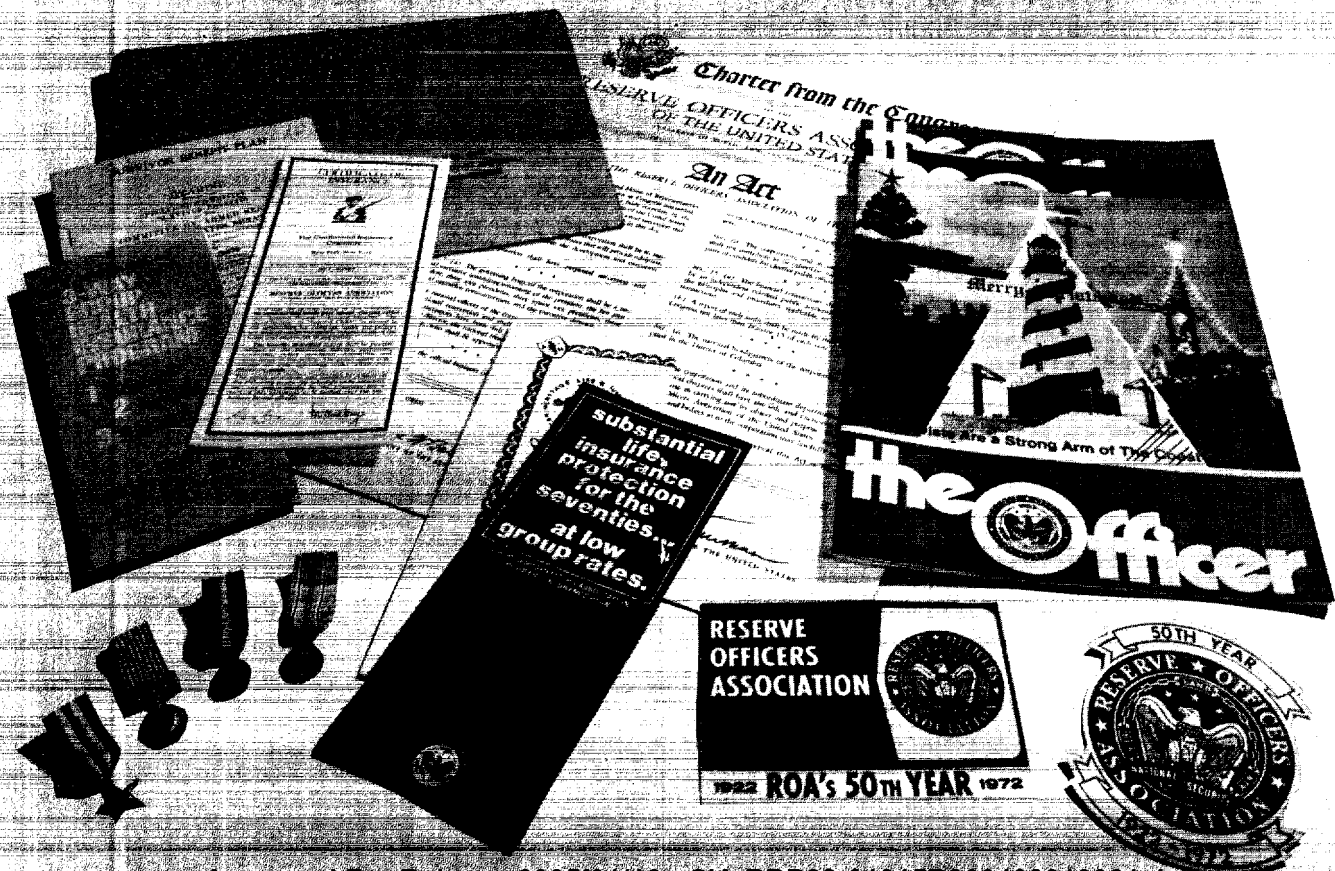
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2. RECORDS CHECK.

If you wish, ROA will advise you on where to check on your request for transfer, reassignment, or change in status.

3. GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.

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Because of recent limitations on space available air travel, ROA offers special charter flights to members at substantial savings.

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LOCAL CHAPTERS.

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ROA is to you branch of service

All of these bills were passed . . . because *ROA was there.*

Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard . . . ROA represents them all. ROA's working relationship with Congressmen has been instrumental in the enactment of many laws protecting—and extending—the rights and benefits of all reserve officers. And ROA is continually alert to protect against any infringement of these rights and benefits.

ROA's effectiveness is in proportion to the number of members whose interests it safeguards. To be truly effective, ROA needs you—and tens of thousands like you—to join with the 70,000-plus reserve officers who are already ROA members to support our common goal: a strong United States through a strong reserve.

Become a ROA member
... today. Help ROA
help you.



Why ROA is important regardless of your

As a reserve officer, you have given evidence of your dedication to preserving freedom and democracy in America. The nation is in your debt.

But the benefits you presently enjoy as a reserve officer were won over the last 50 years. During that period, efforts were made to substantially reduce the number of reserve officers . . . to dismantle all Air Force Airlift Groups . . . and to merge the Army Reserve with the National Guard.

None of these efforts succeeded . . . because ROA was there.

During that same period of time, reservists gained re-employment rights upon return to civilian life . . . pay parity with the regular branches . . . retirement for age and length of service . . . and medical care under the Military Medical Benefits Amendment.



ROA Milestones

This partial listing of ROA's outstanding achievements since 1922 illustrates how ROA has served YOU! and the nation!

RETIREMENT

P.L. 80-810, enacted in 1948, provided Reservists for the first time with *retirement with pay for age and length of service*. It also established 20-year retirement for Regular officers.

DUAL COMPENSATION AMENDMENTS of 1964 preserved the rights of career Reserve officers in Civil Service employment.

PROMOTION

THE RESERVE OFFICER PERSONNEL ACT (ROPA) of 1954 *improved promotion procedures*.

PAY

THE RESERVE READJUSTMENT PAY ACT of 1956 stopped the wholesale release of active duty Reserve officers and equalized their readjustment pay.

MEDICAL BENEFITS

THE MILITARY MEDICAL BENEFITS ACT provided increased medical benefits to retired reservists.

NATIONAL SECURITY

THE FY '67 DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT precluded the elimination of the Army Reserve and its merger into the National Guard.

THE FY '68 and '69 DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT precluded the disbanding of Air Reserve Forces Airlift Groups.

THE RESERVE FORCES BILL OF RIGHTS AND VITALIZATION ACT of 1967 provided sound long range programs for effective command, management, training and support.

SURVIVOR BENEFITS PLAN

THE SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN, signed 21 September 1972, provides military retirees with the opportunity for survivor benefits which guarantee widows a minimum of \$2,100 annually.

Legislative Goals . . .

To provide \$20,000 year-round SGLI insurance coverage (Servicemen's Group Life Insurance) for active and retired reservists.

To provide enlistment and re-enlistment pay incentives for reserve personnel.

To establish widows equity for survivors of Reservists who have completed 20 years of service but have not reached age 60.

To maintain an adequate military posture to support the total force concept.

To reduce time-in-grade promotion requirements of 2nd Lts/Ensigns to 18 months.

To expand educational benefits and scholarships or grants for Veterans who are members of the Reserve forces.

To reduce current retirement age for pay from age 60 to age 55.

To establish recomputation of retirement pay each time the active duty pay is revised.

To increase the number of inactive duty points that may be credited during each retirement year above the 60 points currently authorized.

To encourage employers to separate reserve leave and vacation leave for reserve officer employees.



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you are invited to become a member of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States

- * A Professional Association for ALL officers of ALL the Services—
- * Dedicated to fair play for all military personnel, and
- * Sound military policies which will assure
- * Peace through preparedness.



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